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MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2003 AT 5:30 PM

CITIZENS' TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

STEPHEN P. CLARK CENTER
111 NW FIRST STREET
MIAMI, FLORIDA 33128
18TH FLOOR, ROOM 2 (18-2)

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

- I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - Meeting of April 30, 2003
- III. WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENT** (*time limit 3 minutes each speaker*)
- V. ACTION ITEMS**
 - A. CHAIRPERSON'S ELECTIONS - 3 Minutes for each Candidate**
 - B. BY-LAWS ADOPTION**
- VI. INFORMATION ITEMS**
 - A. PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP) – Mac Glasgow**
 - B. MDT MARKETING UPDATE – Georgina Del Valle, MDT ITS Senior System Analysis, 10 Minutes**
 - C. INSURANCE INDUSTRY WORKSHOP UPDATE – Frank Hernandez**
- VII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE**
- VIII. CTAC SECRETARIAT'S REPORT - 5 Minutes**
- IX. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - A. TRANSIT SUBCOMMITTEE**
 - B. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE**
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 - D. AVIATION SUBCOMMITTEE**
 - E. MARITIME SUBCOMMITTEE**
 - F. LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE**
- X. OTHER ITEMS – PENDING BUSINESS**
- XI. NEW BUSINESS**
- XII. MEETING DATES**
 - A. CTAC Subcommittee 06/11/03**
 - B. CTAC Full Committee 06/25/03**
 - C. MPO Governing Board 06/19/03**
 - D. TPTAC 06/04/03**
 - E. BPAC 06/25/03**
 - F. TPC 06/09/03**
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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SUMMARY OF MINUTES

MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2003

CTAC ATTENDANCE:

Frank Hernandez, Chair

Mike Hatcher, First Vice Chair

Norman Wartman, Second Vice Chair

Rolando Acosta

Joe Corradino

Willie Duckworth

Maurice Gan

Mac Glasgow

Ramon Irigoyen

Emma Pringle

Ramon Ramos

Paul Schwiep

Lee Swerdlin

OTHERS PRESENT:

Elizabeth Rockwell, CTAC Secretariat

Hudson Gaulmann, Citizen

Dave Barlett, Citizen

Georgina del Valle, MDT

Maria Batista, OPTM

Mr. Frank Hernandez, Chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that the agenda be taken out of order due to a lack of quorum beginning with the information items.

I. MDT MARKETING UPDATE

Ms. Georgina del Valle, ITS Senior System Analyst, explained Miami Dade Transit's (MDT) customer based applications that will be implemented as future projects to enhance the transit system's marketability and visibility for its customers. They are as follows:

- The Consumer Information Network, to be implemented next year in 2004, will provide Tri-County Trip Planning including Tri-Rail with an Internet based component.
- While there is currently one transit kiosk, there are plans in 2004 to install kiosks at all Metrorail stations.
- Transit signage will be implemented in 2004 to include informational signs displaying next arriving train, transit emergency messages, and entertainment information such as news, weather, and advertising. Future phases include installing signs in rail, major hubs and buses. Signage will be free to MDT as the contract is anticipated to generate revenue from the advertisements.
- Web based sales applications, in 2004, will allow customers to purchase monthly passes online using their credit cards.
- A GIS system displaying the location of the train on the Internet will be implemented in 2004.
- Transit schedules and service disruptions will be available for downloading onto handheld devices such as Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) in the near future.

These applications will provide support and met the criteria required by ADA.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

During the MDT Marketing Update presentation quorum was recognized and the meeting was made official. Mac Glasgow moved the approval of the revised agenda and the motion was seconded by Lee Swerdlin. Upon being put to a vote, the motion passed unanimously.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mac Glasgow moved for the approval of the minutes for the May 28, 2003 meeting. Maurice Gan had a correction to the Minutes. He was mentioned as seconding a motion when he was not present. Correction was duly noted and made. Maurice Gan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

IV. WELCOME NEW CTAC MEMBERS

Chair Hernandez informed the Committee that Commissioner Katy Sorenson, District 8, appointed Mr. Paul Schwiep to the CTAC.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Dave Barlett, citizen, expressed concern regarding the lack of knowledge the Citizens' Independent Transportation Trust (CITT) has about where CTAC stands on important issues they will be tackling. Mr. Barlett recommends that the various resolutions pertaining to certain

transit projects that have been passed by the committee be prioritized and presented to the CITT for their consideration.

Mr. Hudson Gaulmann, a retired transit employee, stated he was disappointed with the current situation regarding the transit tax and would support anyone who wanted to begin a repeal on the tax.

VI. ACTIONS ITEM

A. CHAIRPERSON'S ELECTIONS

Mr. Norman Wartman resigned his name from the nomination list. Ms. Rockwell asked the committee if there were any other nominations. No further recommendations were made.

Mr. Lee Swerdlin moved for nominations to be closed. This motion was seconded by Mr. Norman Wartman and upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Lee Swerdlin and Mr. Frank Hernandez both spoke for three minutes on their qualifications for the Chair's position. Ms. Rockwell passed out the ballots and retrieved them for tabulation. Mr. Frank Hernandez was re-elected to the Chair's position by an 8 to 5 vote by the committee.

B. BY-LAWS ADOPTION

The By-Laws were discussed and due to the amount of changes needed to be reviewed it was suggested, by the Chair, to go to subcommittee for further discussion. The By-Laws will then be brought to the June 25th CTAC meeting for adoption.

Mr. Mac Glasgow moved for the By-Laws to be discussed at a special subcommittee. This motion was seconded by Mr. Mike Hatcher and upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

VII. PEOPLE'S TRANSPORTATION PLAN (PTP)

Ms. Maria Batista, OPTM Principle Planner, read Mr. Mac Glasgow's email to the County Commissioners which expressed his concerns regarding individuals wanting to spend some of the half cent on beautification rather than the nuts and bolts of transportation. In addition, Mr. Glasgow heard the appointees from District 1 and 8 recommending the allocation of part of the 80% left to any NEW municipalities later created after already leaving 20% to the municipalities. Ms. Batista agreed with Mr. Glasgow that the half cent should not be spent on beautification at this time, but rather improvement to the system. The CITT will be the ones to decide if any of the 80% leftover can be allocated to new municipalities.

VIII. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE

Attended first official CITT meeting and gave each member a Welcome Package. Letter is on the table for your perusal. Next CITT meetings will be held: CITT Board – Monday, June 23, 2003 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM County Commission Chambers; Budget and Finance Committee Meeting - Tuesday, June 10, 2003 10:00 AM-11:30 AM. 150 West Flagler Street, Suite 2800;

and Project Review Committee Meeting - Tuesday, June 17, 2003 10:00 AM-12:00 PM. 150 West Flagler Street, Suite 2800. Willie Duckworth is our representative for the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) meetings. Norman Wartman and Joe Corradino will act as alternates for Willie. At the next CTAC Subcommittee meeting on Wednesday, June 11th Honorable Harvey Ruvin will be speaking on issues that arose out of the may Subcommittee meeting. The potential changes to the Passenger Motor Carrier (PM) Jitney Ordinance were also discussed at the subcommittee meeting. Sheila Rushton, Director of Consumer Services, is taking the suggestions and comments from the workshop they held and making changes to the draft PMC. Once a new draft is created, CTAC will be given a chance to review it in subcommittee and make recommendations to Consumer Services. Johnny Martinez was appointed as FDOT district IV' District Secretary. It was suggested that a letter be sent to Mr. Martinez congratulating him on his new appointment as well as inviting him to attend the a CTAC meeting at his earliest convenience. Finally, Jackie Genard, MPO's new intern, was researched and gathered information regarding the upcoming Insurance Workshop and handouts were made available to the committee.

IX. CTAC SECRETARIAT'S REPORT

Ms. Elizabeth Rockwell informed the Committee that the FDOT looked into drainage issue on the NW corner of NW 87th Avenue and Flagler Street. Tuesday, May 13th FDOT's Drain Crew went to the site and removed several hubcaps from the drainage system; therefore, the drain should now work as intended. Committee members were reminded that absences must be excused and adhered to County Code. The lack of TriRail amenities was addressed in an email to TriRail requesting their presence at the next CTAC meeting to discuss future improvements to the system.

X. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. TRANSIT SUBCOMMITTEE
- B. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION SUBCOMMITTEE – Mr. Norman Wartman stated that the special subcommittee addressing customer relation issues with the Clerk of Courts was addressed. Questions were created to ask the clerk of the courts and as a result the Honorable Harvey Ruvin will be attending the next subcommittee meeting to address these issues.
- C. ELDERLY AND DISABLED SUBCOMMITTEE
- D. AVIATION SUBCOMMITTEE
- E. MARITIME SUBCOMMITTEE – Mr. Maurice Gan stated his dismay for the lack of response for the Maritime meeting that was to be held in April. As a result of such low attendance, the meeting was cancelled. A questionnaire will be sent out to determine the best time to hold another meeting at the Port.
- F. LEGISLATIVE SUBCOMMITTEE

(No reports were given for items A-F)

XI. OTHER ITEMS-PENDING BUSINESS

Ms. Rockwell stated that Mr. Ric Katz will be attending the June 25th meeting to give an update on the Miami Intermodal Center (MIC).

Mr. Frank Hernandez thanked First Vice Chair, Mike Hatcher, for attending the monthly MPO meetings to give an update of CTAC activities.

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Rockwell reminded the committee that the Grand Opening of the Palmetto Metrorail Station will take place Friday, May 30th from 11 AM to 1 PM.

Mr. Mike Hatcher brought Senate Bill 676 to the attention of the committee expressing his concern regarding subsection 4 of the Bill. The Bill states that FDOT planning on State Roads should preclude local planning efforts. Mr. Paul Schwiep further explained the reasoning behind the impetus of the Bill in that FDOT has experienced too much resistance from the local communities to upgrade State Roads. Direction was given to the Secretariat to send a letter to the

Mr. Mac Glasgow moved for the Chair to write a letter to Governor Jeb Bush that this Bill be vetoed. This motion was seconded by Mr. Maurice Gan. Discussion from Mr. Norman Wartman and Mr. Joe Corradino included their concern about acting prematurely without hearing the FDOT's side of the story as to why they are pursuing this Bill. The motion was amended to add in the letter to the Governor that due to the lack of proper information from all sides that the Bill be vetoed so that CTAC can review the Bill further and make an informed decision. Upon being put to a vote the motion passed unanimously.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 PM

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